

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814



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COUNTY FISCAL LETTER (CFL) NO. 98/99-23

TO: ALL COUNTY FISCAL OFFICERS
ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY FOSTER CARE EDUCATION PROJECT COORDINATORS
THE CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE OF CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES
THE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES FOUNDATION
THE FOSTER CARE EDUCATION COORDINATORS OF THE CALIFORNIA
COMMUNITY COLLEGES
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES COMMUNITY CARE
LICENSING COUNTY LIAISONS
CALIFORNIA STATE FOSTER PARENT ASSOCIATION
COUNTY AB 2129 PROJECT COORDINATORS

SUBJECT: FOSTER PARENT TRAINING AND RECRUITMENT ALLOCATION
FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 1998/99

This County Fiscal Letter is to provide you with the allocation for the continuation of the Foster Care Initiative with the passage of the Budget Act of 1998. This initiative was implemented pursuant to Assembly Bill 2129 (Chapter 1089, Statutes of 1993) and Senate Bill 426 (Chapter 892, Statutes of 1993).

For Fiscal Year (FY) 1998/99, \$1,508,000 in the State General Fund (SGF) is budgeted for Foster Parent Training and Recruitment. The SGF portion of the California State Foster Parent Conference contract is \$19,588. The SGF portion of the California Department of Social Service's training contract is \$62,500. Federal and SGF funds used for the two contracts have a 75% / 25% sharing ratio. The costs for these two contracts have been subtracted from the appropriation and the remaining funds are being allocated to all 58 counties. The FY 1998/99 allocation for each individual county is attached.

Training funds were allocated based on the average monthly number of children placed in out-of-home care, excluding group homes, foster family agencies, and probation. Recruitment funds were allocated based on average monthly number of children in out-of-home placements, excluding probation. Average monthly figures were based on the caseload period of May 1997 through April 1998 as reported on the Foster Care Information System. The funds were adjusted to ensure a \$2,000 SGF minimum allocation per county. Additionally, there is no county match required for either training or recruitment activities and both are eligible for matching federal Title IV-E funds.

Fiscal Claiming Instructions

In order to claim program funds, all counties must submit a Foster Parent Training and Recruitment Plan for FY 1998/99. The deadline for submission of a county plan is **November 2, 1998**. County plans must be developed in collaboration with their Foster Parent Training and Recruitment Advisory Committees that are comprised of foster parents, community college and county staff. These funds shall only be used to enhance or expand existing programs, or for the development of new programs, and cannot be used to supplant existing programs. The Foster Parent Training and Recruitment Plans must be submitted to:

California Department of Social Services
Foster Care Recruitment, Training and Retention Unit
Attn: Vebra Switzer
744 P Street, Mail Station 19-68
Sacramento, California 95814

The costs for Foster Parent Training and Recruitment are funded with state and federal funds where costs are Title IV-E eligible. The State share of cost for these expenditures is charged against the county's allocation. Costs reported on the County Welfare Department Expense Claim are charged to the allocation as follows:

| Program Code | Subprogram Code | Program Identifier Code | Description |
|--------------|-----------------|-------------------------|---|
| 504 | | | AB 2129 Foster Parent Training (75% Fed/25% SGF) |
| | 5040 | | AB 2129 Foster Parent Training |
| 505 | | | AB 2129 Foster Parent Training – NF (100% SGF) |
| | 5050 | | AB 2129 Foster Parent Training – NF |
| 506 | | | AB 2129 Foster Parent Recruitment (50% Fed/50% SGF) |
| | 5060 | | AB 2129 Foster Parent Recruitment |
| | | 506055 | Contracted Administration |
| 507 | | | AB 2129 Foster Parent Recruitment – NF (100% SGF) |
| | 5070 | | AB 2129 Foster Parent Recruitment – NF |
| 508 | | | State Use Only - Foster Parent – 504 through 507 |
| | 5080 | | State Use Only - Foster Parent – 504 through 507 (Used by CDSS to shift costs claimed in excess of the combined State Training and Recruitment allocation to County share.) |

If you have any questions regarding the county plan or the use of these funds, please contact Vebra Switzer of the Foster Care Branch, Recruitment and Training Unit at (916) 323-0592. Questions on claiming or allocations/controls may be directed as follows:

PROGRAM: Foster Care Services and Audits Bureau (916) 445-7001

ALLOCATIONS: Contracts and Financial Analysis Bureau (916) 657-3806

CLAIMING: Fiscal Policy Bureau (916) 657-3440

***Original Document Signed By
Douglas D. Park on 9/23/98***

DOUGLAS D. PARK, Chief
Financial Planning Branch

Attachment

FOSTER PARENT TRAINING AND RECRUITMENT - 1998/99

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| COUNTIES | 98/99 STATE ALLOCATION |
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|-----------------|-----------|
| Alameda | 57,886 |
| Alpine | 2,000 |
| Amador | 2,000 |
| Butte | 11,388 |
| Calaveras | 2,000 |
| Colusa | 2,000 |
| Contra Costa | 30,099 |
| Del Norte | 2,000 |
| El Dorado | 3,888 |
| Fresno | 39,297 |
| Glenn | 2,000 |
| Humboldt | 3,946 |
| Imperial | 3,754 |
| Inyo | 2,000 |
| Kern | 27,848 |
| Kings | 2,873 |
| Lake | 2,027 |
| Lassen | 2,000 |
| Los Angeles | 685,544 |
| Madera | 2,438 |
| Marin | 2,140 |
| Mariposa | 2,000 |
| Mendocino | 3,774 |
| Merced | 3,708 |
| Modoc | 2,000 |
| Mono | 2,000 |
| Monterey | 6,290 |
| Napa | 2,271 |
| Nevada | 2,000 |
| Orange | 48,849 |
| Placer | 5,864 |
| Plumas | 2,000 |
| Riverside | 43,903 |
| Sacramento | 57,788 |
| San Benito | 2,000 |
| San Bernardino | 60,996 |
| San Diego | 83,481 |
| San Francisco | 44,816 |
| San Joaquin | 20,622 |
| San Luis Obispo | 5,974 |
| San Mateo | 7,926 |
| Santa Barbara | 5,067 |
| Santa Clara | 39,630 |
| Santa Cruz | 5,592 |
| Shasta | 7,059 |
| Sierra | 2,000 |
| Siskiyou | 2,418 |
| Solano | 7,104 |
| Sonoma | 5,968 |
| Stanislaus | 9,724 |
| Sutter | 2,829 |
| Tehama | 2,668 |
| Trinity | 2,000 |
| Tulare | 16,660 |
| Tuolumne | 2,000 |
| Ventura | 8,604 |
| Yolo | 5,271 |
| Yuba | 3,928 |
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| Total | 1,425,912 |

\$82,088 SGF was withheld for Calif. State Foster Parent Conference contract and DSS Contracted training.

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